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TO-DAY'S NEWS IN BRIEF.

BUSINESS. BUSINESS.
Testerday's bank clearings were \$3,164,168; balances \$834,662. Local discount rates were firm between 5 and 6 per cent. Domestic exchange was quoted as follows: New York 10c premium bid, 15c premium asked; Chicago, Cinciunati, Louisville and New Orleans 10c discount bid, par asked.

Wheat closed lower at 5965%c bid May, 774,675c No. 2 red. Corn closed lower at 40%c asked May, 394,643%c No. 2 mixed. Oats closed at 346,634%c May, 354,635c No. 2 Northern.

The local market for spot cotton was un changed.

LOCAL AND SUBURBAN. Mayor Wells will give a banquet in honor of President D. R. Francis of the World's Fair when the latter returns from Europe. The body of Judge Thomas Metcaife, former law partner of Senator John J. Ingalls, will arrive to-morrow from San Antonio,

The annual report of the Merchants' Exchange shows a big increase in the volume of business transacted by St. Louis mer

ohants.
Olive Cook Bentley filed a petition in the

Circuit Court asking the annulment of her marriage to George Bentley. Countess Spottiswood-Mackin, who is widely known in Europe for her charity work, pays a brief visit to her old home in St. Louis, where her father was once

Mrs. Lola A. Meir is suing the Transit ompany for \$10,000 for the alleged loss of

her voice.

Commercial bodies and citizens will visit the House of Delegates to-night and urge the passage of the street-railway bill.

President Ban Johnson announced the location of the New York Club grounds. In a lecture under the amptices of the Society of Pedagogy at the High School the Reverend Doctor Hirsch declared that the Bible has no place in public schools.

Postmaster Baumhoff was at his desk again, after a trip to Washington in connection with the investigation of his office. Records of Democratic nominees for the City Council show that the ticket measures up to the standard demanded of public officials.

W. A. Grunberger is seeking the man who secured a copy of his marriage certificate at Clayton.

The Salvation Army gave an ovation to Lieutenant Colonel Marshall, who returned from New York City, where he was promot-

Seven hundred head of stock were brought in from flooded country. The river at St. Liouis fell almost a foot. Mrs. Helen Hampton, a music teacher,

charged Doctor T. M. Sayman with striking her. She bit his thumb. She is at the City Hospital, suffering from bruises. GENERAL DOMESTIC.

Funeral services over the bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Pennell will be held at Buffalo to-day.

There is a complete revulsion of public pinion in the case of A. E. Batson, the dissourt boy who is on trial for his life at Lake Charles, La., and he now seems to have a brighter chance for his life than at

The Democrats join the Miller supporters in a fight in the Illinois House of Represen-tatives. The University of Illinois is allowed \$145,000 for experimental purposes by the for experimental purposes by the riouse Committee en Appropriations.

Edgar M. Sneparo of New York, in an address to university students, declares pubo opinion to be the greatest "world power."

in strike of transfer company employer n Kansus City. A brave engineer of Illinois Central fast all saves scores of lives from death.

The pretty ward of a Missouri Sheriff lopes, and the latter value searches for Pennsylvania young woman puts assailan of young women to fight with her fists.

Methodists of Chicago will build \$1,000,000 strangers' church and business building

King of Siam wants a copy of famous sectric fountain owned by George Gould for

The banquet at New York to President assuming enormous proportions. President Roosevelt and many men prominent in the nation's progress have been invited to wel-come the World's Fair President. Former President Cleveland, John G. Carlisle and 'Mark Twain" will be among those to

"Checkers" made its initial appearance at Springfield, Ill., last night. In the language of the turf, "It won in a gallop." Discord developed at the contest of the National Association of Dressmakers in New York. Some of the dressmakers did not approve the awarding of the prizes and many protests were heard.

FOREIGN.

The French Chamber of Deputies begins a debate on the subject of the Government's attitude toward the rengious orgers.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE. Havre, March 12.—Arrived: La Bavole rom New York. New York, March 12-Arrived: Barb

Queenstown, March 12.—Arrived: Celtic, New York, for Liverpool, and proceeded Brow Head, March 12.—Passed: Celtic, New York, for Liverpool. Queenstown, March 12-Sailed: Cedric (from Liverpool), New York. New York, March 12-Arrived: Weiman

New York, March 12.-Sailed: La Brefagne, Havre; Prinzessin Victoria Luise, Madeira, stc.; Cevic, Liverpool. Hong-Kong, March II.—Arrived previous-ly: Steamer Victoria, Tacoma, via Yoko-

Yokohama, March 10.—Sailed: Achilles, Vancouver and Tacoma. Manila, March 10.—Arrived: Elleario, Port-lant, Ora.

DEMOCRATS WIN DECISIVE VICTORY

Cuban Reciprocity Treaty Will Not Become Effective Till Indorsed by the House.

AGREEMENT IN COMMITTEE

Strength Shown by the Minority in the Senate Causes Consternation Among Administration Leaders.

14th St. and Pennsylvania Ave. Washington, March 12.-Democrats have drawn first blood in the extra session of the Senate through a victory won to-day in the Senate Committee on Foreign Rela-tions regarding the Cuban reciprocity treaty. The committee voted to report the treaty favorably, but not until an amendment had been adopted requiring concurrent action on the part of the House.

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The members of the minority party have contended from the first that it was necessary for the two branches of Congress to act jointly on Cuban reciprocity by reason of the change in the revenues which is involved by the ratification of the convention. Inasmuch as the House will not meet until next December, the treaty cannot go into effect until after that time, even if there is no opposition to it in its present form.

The result of this action will be farreaching. The Cuban treaty will be ratified eventually by the House, which needs only a majority vote, and not the two-thirds vote regulared by the Searce.

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But the more important result will be that when Congress meets again it is probable that the tariff question will be opened for proionged debate. This is one of the ob-jects of the Democrats in forcing the adop-tion of the amendment, and another was that they contend that, under the Consti-tution, the House must pass on revenue bills.

bills.

The force of the Democratic minority is felt as it never has been before. It is shown that, with a vigorous leader like Senator Gorman, they can accomplish wonders. Consternation has attacked the Republican ranks at the strength shown, though the administration leaders profess not to be largered.

AGREEMENT ON CANAL TREATY. Vote Will Be Taken Tuesday and End of Session Is in Sight.

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Washington, March 12.—There were important developments to-day regarding the treaties pending in the Senate. It was decided to vote on the Panama Canal treaty on Tuesday next and the Cuban reciprocity treaty was reported to the Senate by the Committee on Foreign Relations.

The end of the work for which the extra session was called is, therefore, in sight.

The agreement to vote on the canal treaty was arrived at soon after the Senate assembled at noon, and without discussion of moment. The terms had been made satisfactory to Senator Morgan before the request to fix a day for the vote was preferred by Senator Frye, so the former made no objection. The Cuban treaty, with the various amendments agreed on by the Committee on Foreign Relations, then was reported by Mr. Cullom.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it falls to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. Se.

ELKS LODGE SUES LANDLORD.

Restraining Order Against Owner of Holland Building Asked.

St. Louis Lodge, No. 9, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, filed a suit yesterday in the Circuit Court for an injune tion restraining Charles W. Wall, owner of the Holland building, from excluding that organization from the use of its lodge hail on the twelfth floor of the building.

The petition recites that the lodge acquired a ten-year lease of fifteen raoms on the eleventh floor of the building, with the use of the hall on the twelfth floor for meetings and social sessions. The lease was drawn up April 28, 18%, and has more than five-years to run. Last Thursday, the regular meeting night, the petition alleges, the watchman of the building, acting under orders of Mr. Wall, refused the plaintiff admission to the hall. It is to prevent a repetition of this action that the restraining order is asked.

John H. Holmes of the Humane Society of Missouri, who is a member of the lodge, said yesterday that Mr. Wall is anxious to obtain possession of the hall, and has offered them \$2.50 bonus to give up possession and seek other quarters. The Eliks, he says, are not desirous of giving up their lease at present and seeking other quarters, and will endeavor to have the courts compel Mr. Wall to live up to the terms of hall on the twelfth floor of the building. el Mr. Wall to live up to the terms of

SAVINGS OF HUSBAND ENJOINED

Mrs. Schafer Wants Share of Wealth With Divorce.

Eliza Schafer filed suit for divorce yes terday against William Schafer. She alleges in her petition that they were married October 16, 1890, and separated in March, 1903. She says he treated her cruelly, made her do all kinds of laborious housework, although he draws a salary of \$150 a month as a city employe, and made threats against her.

against her.

The petition alleges that he has a bank account of \$2,000 with the German Savings Institution, and she prays that the institution be enjoined from paying out these funds until the court has passed on the case.

ALFRED BATSON CONVICTED OF MURDER IN FIRST DEGREE.

Missouri Boy Charged With Slaying Seven Members of the Earl Family Near Welsh, La., Must Pay the Death Penalty-Mother, Who Has Been Constantly at His Side During Both Trials, Faints When the Verdict Is Read and Is Taken From Courtroom on a Cot.



REPUBLIC SPECIAL

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Lake Chaffes, La., March 12.—At \$:30 of circumstantial evidence was adduced. John Downs, a liveryman here, was put on the stand, and he testified that Batson haf come to his barn on February 14 and tried to sell a span of mules, which he had recognized as the property of Ward Earl. Downs charged. This carries the death penalty.

Batson's mother was seated at his side when the jury came in. When the verdict was read by the court neither mother nor arrested. Alfred E. Batson returned a verdict of when the jury came in. When the verdict was read by the court neither mother nor son gave any sign of emotion. A few minutes afterward, however, Mrs. Payne was seen to quiver from head to toe. Then she sat upright, her chin in her hand, for about five minutes and suddenly fell back in her chair with a groan. Her face assumed a deathlike pallor, her form became rigid and every one thought her dead.

Deputies went to her assistance, but her condemned son was the first to administer to the poor woman, his dearest friend. He opened her clothing at the throat and chafed her hands in an effort to revive her. COT BROUGHT IN COURT.

A cot was brought into the courtroom and the woman placed upon it. Stimulants were inistered and in a few minutes she revived. Her first words were: "Are we still

Then she called for her boy. He leaned ver her and their lips met. She pressed im to her breast and wept aloud. The deputies called on Batson to go back to the jail and she pleaded with them not to sep-

arate her from him.

Batson heard the sentence read unmoved. However, when he took his mother in his arms as she lay upon the cot, his eyes filled with tears. He weakened only for a moment. Then, at the suggestion of the court, Mrs. Payne was removed to an ante-room, even as the deputy was putting the handcuffs on Batson. Then Batson gave way, For the first time he seemed to realize his position. He wept lightly, and his face assumed an aged look. He was taken back to the jail, surrounded by a squad of deputies, with a morbid throng following at their heels.

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The State closed its case this morning shortly before noon. The defense then opened its case and put on three witnesses before dinner. In the afternoon Judge Fred W. Coon of Princeton, Mo., and one other witness were put on the stand, and the defense closed its case. This was a rather abrupt ending and proved a surprise to both Batson and his mother.

The arguments were begun shortly after 2 o'clock, and at 5 o'clock the case was submitted to the jury. Court then took a recess till 8:20, when the jury was brought in and the verdict rendered.

MURDER OF EARL FAMILY.

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The crime for which Batson is on trial and for which he has once been sentenced to hang is the most heinous in the history of the State of Louisiana. On February 23, 1822, the world was startled with the intelligence that L. S. Barl, a prominent rice grower near Welsh, La., had been murdered together with his wife and four sons—Ward, Fay, Lemuel and John.

Batson, who had been employed at the Earl place, was suspected of the crime. He was traced to Spickard, Mo., and on February 24 was arrested there. Sheriff John A. Perkins went to the Missouri town immediately. The Governor of Missouri would not permit Batson to be extradited, however, until he had received a personal assurance from Governor W. W. Heard of this State that Batson would be fully protected from violence and afforded a fair trial.

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Batson was brought back to Louisiana, and, through the strategy of Sheriff Perkins, safely landed in a steel cage in the Calcasieu Parish jail here. Much excitement prevailed, and for a while there was talk of storming the jail to lynch him, but the promise of the State's chief executive killed this idea, and Batson was unmolested. In due time he was indicted by the Grand Jury, and in April last was brought to trial, CONVICTED AT FIRST TRIAL.

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Batson was fortunate in securing good counsel—Messrs. Paul A. Sompayrae and Winston Overton, young and successful attorneys. Both feel convinced of their man's innocence, and have been untiring in their efforts in his behalf, grasping at every possible chance to save his life, and fighting every lota of incriminating evidence.

At the trial an almost invulnerable chain CONVICTED AT FIRST TRIAL.

of circumstantial evidence was adduced

orrested.
Otto Winterhalder, a local jeweler, put in the stand, testified that Batson had come on the stand, testified that Batson had come to him with a watch to be repaired, called for and received it, paying for the repairs. The jeweler, in looking over his books a short while after Batson's arrest, discovered that the watch was one left a short time previous by Ward Earl, recognizing it by a private jeweler's mark.

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It was this strong combination of circumstantial evidence which convicted Batson. He claims to have left the employ of the Earls February 12 and gone home by means of freight trains. He says that he went west to Beaumont, Tex., and then went to Spickard, Mo., where he was arrested. He has always stoutly denied being guilty of the revolting crime, and, notwithstanding his long confinement and thousands of queries, cross-examinations and interviews has

his long confinement and thousands of queries, cross-examinations and interviews, has shown no evidences of weakening in his story. Being a stranger, not only in Calcasieu Parish, but also along the lines he employed getting home, it is rather difficult for him to establish his alibi.

On the last trial he gave descriptions of persons and places he had passed through en route to his Missouri home. These persons, summoned on descriptions furnished by Batson, were brought into court. Among these was P. A. Emmett of Vinton, La. Batson immediately recognized him, saying, "That gentleman is the Vinton barber," Pierre Chaison, another Vinton citizen, was presented to Batson, and the accused man said, "I bought candy from this young man."

Man."

A waiter at Vinten, brought forward, was immediately recognized by Batson, who recalled having purchased a lunch at the restaurant where the man was employed. These persons, while not able to testify These persons, while not able to testify positively that Batson had met them, believed that he was correct and had dealt with them as claimed.

All these things tend to establish an alibit for the accused man, for it is evident that a young man with nothing especial to attract notice, should experience difficulty in establishing an alibi.

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On December 17 the motion for the change of venue was argued and the court refused to grant the change. After the refusal to grant the change of venue Batson was rearraigned on the same indictment on which he had hear tried last April, and his

fusal to grant the change of venue Batson was rearraigned on the same indictment on which he had been tried last April, and his case fixed for this month. His second trial was called March 6.

Immediately after Batson's arrest his mother, Mrs. Joseph Payne of Princeton, Mo., came to Louisiana and stayed with her son all during the tedious, trying trial, comforting and encouraging him. She sat at his side all through the proceedings, prompting him to bear up. The death sentence proved a great shock to the poor woman, and strongly embittered her against the people of Louisiana.

MOTHER AT HIS SIDE.

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will get a fair trial, for the Governor of Louisiana has pledged him one."

Mrs. Payne brought down from Missouri Probate Judge Fred W. Coon, of Princeton, Mo., a former school teacher of Baison. He was seen by a representative of The Republic and expressed himself thus:

"I have been brought down to Louisiana as a character witness for Ed Batson. I believe the boy is innocent of the crime with which he is charged, and, try as I might, I cannot bring myself to believe that he could have done the deed. I taught him at school six years ago. While he was not conspicuously bright, he was a good scholar, and gave men but little trouble. He was a warm-hearted boy, and the last one to whom I would look for the attributes of a degenerate and a criminal."

PRESIDENT DISCUSSES PLANS FOR WESTERN TRIP

To Leave April 1 and Spend Severa fore Going to St. Louis.

Washington, March 12.-President Roose elt's contemplated Western trip was a subject of some discussion at the White House to-day. Senators Long of Kansas and Hopkins of Illinois and Fourth Assistant Post master General Bristow, also of Kansas talked with the President about his tour. The Kansas people are urging the President to make some stops in their State after the dedication of the World's Fair grounds at St. Louis on April 30.

Only one stop thus far has been arranged. The President has accepted an invitation to attend a meeting of the railway branch of the Y. M. C. A., to be held at Topeka, May

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I. Few other details of the itinerary have
been worked out.

It has been decided with practical definiteness that only one trip will be made.
While no date for the beginning of the trip
can be fixed definitely until the Senate shall
have adjourned, it is expected now that it
will be not far from April 1.

After leaving Washington the President
will not return until some time in June. It
is likely that the first two or three weeks
of the trip will be passed principally in the
Yellowstone Park. There the President will
seek rest and recreation, but it is understood that he will do little hunting.

WOMAN MUSIC TEACHER BITES PHYSICIAN'S THUMB.

Mrs. Helen Hampton, Who Says Doc tor T. M. Sayman Struck Her, Is

Mrs. Helen Hampton, a music teacher, living at No. 3666 Finney, was carried to injuries received, she says, in a difficulty with Doctor T. M. Sayman, proprietor of a soap factory at No. 2123 Franklin avenue.

Doctor Sayman told the police that Mrs. Hampton bit him on the right thumb. According to Mrs. Hampton, she was employed by Doctor Sayman, as a companion for his children until about a month ago. Yesterday afternoon she called at his house o secure a letter which had been delivered there for her.

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A dispute arose, she says, over a family affair. Doctor Sayman became angered and struck her in the face. He then, she says, tried to force her from the room. She began to scream and he placed his hand over her mouth. Then she bit his thumb.

In the struggle Mrs. Hampton fell to the floor. An ambulance was summoned, and she was removed to the hospital. Doctor Nietert says she is suffering from a sprained back and bruises about the head.

The police say Miss Gertrude Sayman, a daughter of the doctor, and James M. Cody of No. 1243 Elliot avenue were present during the trouble Doctor Sayman refused to be seen last night, and Miss Sayman refused to discuss the trouble. According to the police version of the affair, Mrs, Hampton was being forced from the house when she received her injuries.

BRIEFLY TOLD

SPOKANE, WASH.—More than forty la-bor unions are voting on the proposition to join in a sympathetic strike on March 23. The carrying out of the proposition will throw out of employment between 4,000 and 5,000 men.

KASOTA MINN.—The safe in the Stafe Bank of Kasota was blown by two men and \$400 in silver taken. The robbers es-caped on a handcar on the Omaha road. TOLEDO. O.—Frank E. Brady, former secretary of the Imperial Building and Loan Company, was sentenced to five years in the Penitentiary for altering the company's books to deceive creditors.

CHICAGO—Mabel Green, aged 27, whose home is believed to be at Lacon, Ill., committed suicide by inhaling gas. Miss Green had been employed as a stenographer at the University of Chicago. A broken engagement, it is believed, led to the suicide. CHICAGO—The strike of the sheet metal workers was indorsed by the Advisory Board of the Building Trades Council. This,

it is said, means a general strike, including members of thirty building crafts.

SEWER DISTURBS OLD GRAVE. Human Bones Found in Excavating Near Old Roadhouse.

Mother at his side.

Mrs. Payne came to Lake Charles early last week to be present at the trial. She is still the same helpful, shrewd little woman that she was last year, and is as firmly convinced of her son's innocence as ever. Speaking of the case, she said: "I have not the slightest doubt that my boy will be acquitted of this horrible charge, for I know he did not commit it.

"I have cuestioned him time and again about it, but he has always taken me in his arms and said, "Mother, you know that I could not have committed that crime, and I believe in him absolutely. Ed was always a good boy to me, even generous, and he would not lie to ms. I think that he

Builington THE GREAT

An army of colonists will invade the Northwest country during the spring of 1903. Its make-up will be farmers, fruit growers, stock raisers, miners, lumbermen, traders, skilled and unskilled labor, technical, scientific and professional men.

This country offers a field for all classes, and is holding its new settlers. A great commonwealth is building contiguous to the Puget Sound.

LOW RATES UNTIL APRIL 30th, 1903.

The Burlington reaches the Northwest with a daily through train to Seattle; with three daily trains to St. Paul; with two daily trains to Denver.

known as the Washington House.

James Eddle of No. 3422 Grace avenue, who has lived in that vicinity for many years, substantiates the statement of Wolfe and has informed Policeman Walton that the Washington House was conducted by a man named Sam Brown. He declared that Brown was once a policeman.

Whether the bones are the first evidence of an unexplained crime, the police will endeavor to ascertain. Records will be searched and old citizens interviewed to find, if possible, if a man and woman were reported missing at the time the Washington House was open.

Eddle declares that Sam Brown was on the police force when King Edward, then Prince of Wales, visited the United States and was entertained in St. Louis

AFFAIRS OF THE POST OFFICE KEEP BAUMHOFF BUSY NOW.

Returns From Washington With \$120,000 Appropriation and Permission for 700 Promotions.

Postmaster Baumhoff was at his desk yes terday morning, after a trip to Washington, where he went to confer with the Postmaster General in regard to the recent

investigation of the Post Office. About his own case, the Postmaster was oncommunicative, however, and refused to deny or affirm the report from Washington that several heads of departments who had been overanxious about pushing the charges against him were to be cut out in

the near future. In announcing that he had an appropria-

Thermometers, Barometers.

ment. Periods from the 1st to the 11th of March during the years of '02 and '03 showed a gain of \$19.455.27 for the present year, or a gain of 24.5 for a corresponding period last year.

Kodaks, Race Glasses,

SEEKS MAN WHO SECURED RECORD OF HIS MARRIAGE.

Guinzberger Thinks Visitor May Have Been Father, Whose Address He Does Not Know.

W. A. Guinzberger, a traveling salesman. In announcing that he had an appropriation of \$120,000 to be used in enlarzing salaries of employes and to establish postal stations in various parts of the city, where the delivery heretofore has been inadequate, he evidenced a happy frame of mind and the interest of one who expected to be retained.

He stated that 700 promotions were to be made, which would be accompanied with an increase of \$1900 per annum hy July 1.

"As soon as possible," said Mr. Baumhoff, "a new substation is to be built near Tower Grove and Manchester avenues for the accommodation of the business interests of the southwestern part of the city which have been complaining of poor service for some time past. Besides, ten other branch stations are to be established in drug stores and various other places in other parts of town.

Mr. Baumhoff also announced an increase in the identity of an elderly man who visited the Clayton marriage license office Wednesday afternoon to get a copy of his (Guinzberger's) marriage certificate.

Guinzberger was married November 25.

Iso, to Miss Mary Bardell. On account of difference in religion, his father strenuously opposed the match and they went to Clayton, where they were married by Justice of the Peace William C. Wengler. Guinzberger said last night that his father had not spoken to him since that day.

"My father is a heavy set man, about 5 feet 8 inches in height," he said, "has a full face and a heavy iron gray mustache. I understand this description fits the man that visited the Clayton office.

Still, I am not sure, but will watch for developments."

